

In memory

A day to honor those who served

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Services were held throughout Marshalltown to honor those who allow this nation to be free.

Memorial Day events opened at Riverside Cemetery with a speech from Steve Storjohann who served in the U.S. Navy.

"This is one day a year that we as a country of free people honor those who answered their country's call to arms," he said.

Storjohann said he has never been prouder than when he was in the Navy uniform. He said the battles that have been fought have not only given us freedom but have helped shape our nation.

"The veterans of our many wars and conflicts are the glue that holds our principles together," he said.

The American Legion Post #46 and VFW Post #839 were represented at the ceremony with the Boys Scouts troop #310 raising the colors.

Other outdoor ceremonies included the Navy Mothers casting of a wreath at the Center Street bridge and a service at Rose Hill Memorial Gardens.

At the Iowa Veterans Home, residents and visitors packed into the Leisure Resource Center of the Malloy building.

Delivering the address was Rep. Jodi Tymeson of Winterset who spent 33 years in military service and is a retired Army National Guard Brigadier General.

Tymeson said the tradition of honoring those who served their country should never go away.

"We must remember and we must continue to instill the tradition of remembering in our children," she said.